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HUGE GRAFT IN INNO-CENT VOTING MA-CHINE BILL.

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Clever Little Joker That Meant Millions for Beneficiaries of Scheme.

New York Lobbylsts Play for Big Stakes, but Exposure Oueers Their Game.

Every Town and City in the Empire State Placed at Mercy of Slick Corporation,

special to The Tribune.

LBANY, April 4 .- Snugly hidden in Senator Davis's voting machine bill a clever little joker has been discovered. If enacted into law, it would compel the election authorities of every community in the State to buy voting machines of a single corporation, the machine to be selected by a board of commissioners at a cost of more than \$5,000,000. The city of New York alone would be forced, the moment this committee decided on a voting machine, to expend at least \$2,000 -000 in equipping each election district

amends the existing law. As the law stands, the Board of Elections of the city of New York, or the Common Council of any other city, or authorities of any town may adopt any kind of a voting machine approved by the State Board of Election Commissioners. This section is not amended by the present law, but the proposition that these commissioners shall decide on a machine is inserted. The joker of the law provides:
The local authorities adopting a vot

ing machine shall, as soon as practicable thereafter, provide for each poll-ing place one or more machines." This is amended to read thus: "The local au-thorities, when notified of the adoption of a voting machine by the State board designated in this act, shall at once provide for each polling place one or more voting machines in complete order of the type adopted." And the next section, which at present allows the local authorities to provide funds for the purchase of voting machines, is amended so as to make it mandatory on the Board of Elections.

Reduced to terms, what this means is this: The style and requirements of a voting machine are carefully pre-scribed in the law, so it is quite possi-ble that only one kind of machine could be adopted. Any time, therefore, that this mysterious commission shall to do is to inform the Board of Elec tions in New York city, and that body will have no option, but must pur-chase there machines at once. The cost of a voting machine is approximately

Thus the city of New York, if it purchased only two machines for each election district, would be compelled under the Davis law to spend at least \$2,000,000 in buying one kind of machine. Every village, town and city in the State of New York would be placed at the absolute mercy of the corpora-tion manufacturing this machine, and more than \$5,000,000 would be paid out of the public treasury into that of the

It is perfectly well known that lobbyists of no small political importance are here in the interests of this bill, the full import of which was discov-The Davis bill is so long ered today. and complicated and the amendment is so snugly imbedded in it that the scheme has up to the present moment entirely escaped attention.

ATTENDED EASTER SERVICE IN BOATS

Flood Situation in Indiana Shows Slight Improvement, but Danger Is Not Over.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 4-All the streams in southern Indiana will probably be back in their channels by the last

VINCENNES. Ind., April 4.—The flood situation here has not improved. High winds have still further weakened the levees and breaks are constantly occurring. More men than ever before are working on them.

Bellef parties are being sent from hare and from Illinois towns across the river.

Relief parties are being sent from here and from lilinois towns across the river. A steamer left today for Russeliville, Bel-grade and other towns with provisions.

Easter services were held at St. Thomas church, though it is surrounded by water. Ferry boats and skiffs were used by the congregation. One boat upset with five women. All were rescued.

In Lawrence county, Ill., and Knox county, Ind., the flood loss will be one million dollars.

BIG FEES FOR LAWYERS IN FAIR WILL CASE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4 – Judge Cook, in the Superior court teday awarded the law firms of Lloyd & Wood and Knight & Heggerty \$75,000 each in fees from the satate of the late Charles L. Fair for their services as attorneys for the estate. The firms named had put in claims for \$100,000 each.

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KING EDWARD HAS GLAD HAND FOR U. S. MINISTER

COPENHAGEN, April 4-In the course of Eing Edward's reception of the diplomats today the King + was especially cordial and friendly + in his attitude toward United States 4 Minister Swenson. The King expressed the warmest admiration for President Roosevelt. He said he was glad the President's influence had been thrown in the direction of the cultivation of friendly relations between Great Britain and the United States and added he believed such relations worked toward peace and prosperous intercourse between -++++++++++++++++

DOWN PIPE WOMAN SLIDES TO LIBERTY

While Policemen Guarded Her Door She Escaped Through Window and Gives Them the Laugh.

Special to The Tribune

AKLAND, Cal., April 4 .- With a brave slide for liberty down a flushing pipe at the side of house, Mrs. Jennie Turnbull this afternoon gave two policemen the laugh and escaped from a rear window of her room at the Windsor hotel, Ninth and Washington streets, while the officers walted outside with a search warrant to look for jewelry. She had been charged by E. Derosa with having taken a locket which he highly prized and upon her refusal to give it up he went to the police station and swore ut a search warrant

with the machine.

The Davis bill is intended to regulate the use of voting machines, and the mission of the men, and they ex-plained it to her. She told them that they would have to wait until she fressed, and while they waited the woman went out of the back window and away. When the room was finally entered Mrs. Turnbull was missing.

Mrs. Turnbull occupied room No. 20 in the hotel. Her window opened upon m areaway twenty-five feet below, which leads to the street. Down the side of the house there runs a pipe, and stepping out onto the window sill he was able to reach the pipe and slide

top of an oil stove after the policemen, with the assistance of the hotel land-lord, got into the hastly vacated apart-

TAMPA SWEPT BY FURIOUS FLAMES

Fifteen Blocks of Business Buildings and 200 Tenements De-

TAMPA, Fla., April 4-A fast fire Tampa this afternoon. causing a loss which will exceed \$300 .-

The only death resultant from the fire so far as known is that of a Cuban baby burned in one of the cigar facto-

Fifteen blocks of business houses and nearly two hundred tenements were destroyed.

West Tampa has only a small water plant, and as a consequence the water supply gave out. Hundreds of families of cigar makers are homeless.

SHOT COMPANION AND DOESN'T KNOW WHY

Special to The Tribune. RAWLINS, Wyo., April 4.-Mac Roberts was brought to Rawlins this evening and placed in jail as the result of a shooting crupe last evening on Pass creek. Roberts shot and seriously wounded a young erts shot and seriously wounded a young man named Wilson, who was accompanying him to Encampment from Hanna. There were no witnesses to the shooting. Robert's explanation is not satisfactory. He does not know why he did it. They had a quarrel, he said. The wounded man denies this. Five shots were fired, one passing entirely through Wilson's body just above the right hip, and another buried itself in the fleshy partion of the hip. He was taken to Saratoga and is in a critical condition.

Robert's when arrested was found hid-Roberts when arrested was found hid-ng under the bridge over Pass creek.

IDAHO REPUBLICANS HUSTLE FOR DELEGATES

Special to The Tribune

BOISE, Ida., April 4.-The Republican State convention will be held at Pocatello May 18th, when a delegation to the National convention will be relected, that will go to Chicago enthusiastic for the nomination of President Roosevelt. In several districts some lively skirmishing is being witnessed among the friends of prominent candidate for delegates, and at a point or two some feeling his been en-gendered. The State is strongly Repub-lican however, and the party leaders do not feel that the rivairy will have any ef-fect on the general results.

TRUST OFFICIAL SHORT IN ACCOUNTS \$10,000

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., April 4.-George F. Clewell, the missing secretary and treasurer of the recently assigned Federal Trust company of Cleveland, was arrested here today. The charge against Clewell was a shoring of \$10.00 in his accounts with the Federal Trust company.

FILES PROTEST AGAINST HEBER J. GRANT AS DELEGATE.

Charles M. Owen Secures Fruitless Audience With German Embassador.

Latter Refuses to Become Involved in Any Way in the Utah Controversey.

Berlin Government Not Concerned in the Appointments to the Nuremberg Conference.

ASHINGTON, April 4.—Bearing a + wife of the Governor-General, + and a brief note from Senator Kearns of Utah, Charles Mostyn Owen | + exposure. Lady Minto sustained + of the Utah-American bureau of Information of Salt Lake, was received + by a fall while skating, and it + n audience at the German Embassy today by the Embassador and protested against the appearance at the international conference on school bygiene to be held in Nuremburg, Bavarla, of Heber J. Grant, who, he charged, is a Mormon and "morally unfitted in every way to represent the State from which he was appointed, and which appointment is of itself an insult to the empire o which he stands accredited."

Had No Jurisdiction.

Ignorant of the mission of Mr. Owen the Embassador received him, but on hearing him through informed him that the Embassy had no jurisdiction in that the Emissys had by jurisdiction in the matter, as the Berlin Government was not concerned in the appointment of Mr. Grant, nor would the case be different if it were. Mr. Owen charged that the Mormons wielded a powerful influence in the West, and gave His Excellency instances of Mormon au-

thority.

There is a Very firm determination on the part of the Embassy not to become involved in any way in the Mormon controversy in this country.

Ordered Out of Germany.

So far as Mormons in Germany are oncerned, the Berlin Government has ordered them to leave the empire, and so far as it is known here, they have

going to the Embassy Mr. Before Owen made an adayit which he called to the attention of the Embassy, alleging that Grant had publicly declared himself a polygamist in Utah, and that he fled the State after a warrant for his arrest had been issued, and that still a fugitive he was appointed a delegate to the school hygiene con-

WAR A MONSTER SCOURGE SHOULD BE ABOLISHED

PARIS, April 5 .- A correspondent of the Figaro cables an interview with Count Tolstoi on the subject of the war, in which the author declared that the first duty of thinking beings was to abolish war. He refused to admit that a Russian victory would mean the spread of civili-

victory would mean the spread of civilization and said he was not convinced that civilization was found in Europe merely because the Europeans had created artificial needs, such as railways and telegraphs, adding:

"It is not by these modern inventions that we must judge the development of the human mentality."

Asked whether he had not made some reservation on the subject on the practical application of the ideas which he preached, Tolstol said:

"To be quite sincere, I am not entirely freed from the notion of particitism, and I feel that it persists despite myself, owing to stavism and education, but when I examine my fundamental duty I say unreservedly that no reason in the world stands before the reasons of humanity, and my conscience tells me that slaughter under whatever pretext is execrable; that war is a monster scourge and that everything leading to war is to be utterly candemned."

REFUSE TO GIVE UP

URUMIYAH, Persia, April 4.-Gen. Midjid Saltanch, who has been charged by the Persian authorities with the task of discovering the murderer of Rev. Benjamin Labarce, son of Dr. Benjamin Labarce, superintendent of the American mission, has returned here and reports that the murderer, whose name was Seld, was found at a place where he had been hidden, but that the populace declined to surrender him. Nevertheless, the authorities expect to effect the capture of the mur derer.

SAYS SHE KILLED A RIVAL IN CLEVELAND

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4-A woman giving the name of Mrs. Helen Doctur called at the Central police station this evening, saying she was from Cleveland, O., where she had shot and killed a wo-O. where she had shot and a kind a wa-man about six months ago, who had stolen her husband's effections and she now wished to give herself up for the crime. She was detained by the police, who have communicated with the Cleveland police.



COUNTESS OF MINTO

LADY MINTO ILL FROM EFFECTS OF EXPOSURE

now estimated that the loss + + by yesterday's fire at the resi- + + dence of the Governor-General + + will reach \$100,000. Lady Minto, + cordial letter of introduction | + who was rescued from the blazfrom Senator Dubois, of Idaho, + ing building with difficulty, is + + quite III today as the result of + + a fractured leg several days ago + + was necessary to carry her from + + the residence

TAMMANY LIKELY TO FIGHT PARKER

Opposed to Instructing, and May Throw Tiger Vote to Hearst at St. Louis.

Special to The Tribune, YEW YORK, April 4.- Now that David B. Hill is once more Democratic boss of this State, there is considerable interest in his plan to instruct the Empire State delegates to St. Louis for Parker. The Tammany element is up in arms against the proposition, but as Hill has the delegates, it ooks very much as if he would do as he pleased.

Charles F. Murphy, the Tammany chief, is firmly opposed to instructing the delegation, and will fight against it in the State convention on April 18th, and may carry the opposition to St. Louis; but so far the most generous estimate only gives Tammany control of 150 or 160 delegates, out of 450 in the State convention, while Hill has captured 309 for Parker. This means that instructions for Parker are certain,

What Murphy can do at St. Louis Is problem, but with New York behind him, the Hill men say that Parker has

at St. Louis.

The Parker victory leaves William R. Hearst without delegates in his own State, unless it should turn out that Charles F. Murphy, in order to beat Hill out, should throw the Tammany vote at St. Louis to Mr. Hearst. is regarded as extremely improbable. Inasmuch as Mr. Hearst is likely to ally his tollowing with the Bryan men at St. Louis, it is believed that the Hill men will not show any quarter to any one opposed to Judge Parker. Here then are the probable results,

assuming that the State of New York instructs for Parker: Total number of delegates in the conention, 1000.

Necessary to nominate under the two-thirds rule, 666 2-3. Necessary to give Bryan and Hearst eto power, 324. Delegates for Parker if New York in-

Delegates for Hearst, 169, Delegates for Olney, 32, Delegates for Cockrell, 26, Delegates for Williams, 54, Delegates for Wall, 25, Doubtful, 136, Votes Bryon, and Heave

Votes Bryan and Hearst lack to con-Parker lacks to get the nomina-

SLAYER OF MISSIONARY TWO GIANT POWDER VICTIMS ARE DEAD

Third of Boys Injured at Provo May Die, but the Fourth Will Recover.

Special to The Tribune. PROVO, April 4.-Two of the four boys that were so badly burned by the powder explosion, Joseph Hill and Archie A, Mc-Bride, died at the hospital during the night, and Archie Bushnell is in a serious condition. Alvin Loveridge, the fourth body from being burned by jumping into a barrel of water.

Daniel Hill, the father of Joseph, was in Sait Lake City attending conference in Sait Lake City attending conference when the accident happened and he was not aware of his son's death until notified by the police department of Sait Lake, through the Sheriff's office in this city. Mr. Hill, who receives financial assistance from the county, walked from his home on Provo Bench to Sait Lake to attend conference, leaving Friday. The officers here provided transportation for the old gentleman.

The mother of young McBride is a widow and runs a small store on Provo Bench. Sne is prostrated with grief.

EDITOR AND POLITICIAN INDULGE IN PISTOL DUEL.

Newspaperman Proves Best Shot and Adversary Is Badly Wounded.

Shooting Was the Outcome of a Fued of Long Stand-

Men Met on the Street and Editor Started Ball Rolling by Beginning to Shoot.

AWTON, Okla., April 4 -A shooting affray occurred today between I. T. Russell, editor of the State Democrat, and J. W. Hawkins, former Assistant Chief of Police. Hawkins was shot in the right thigh, left knee and abdomen.

Each man was active in the prelimiary organization of the Democratic ounty convention, now in session. The street was crowded with people How the parties came together, storles Russell fired three shots before Hawkins pulled his gun. Then the crowd was in the way and Russell got behind a wagon.

Hawkins fired as Russell ran from the wagon to a stairway, but Russell was not hit. From the stairway Russell fired again, but shot wild. Hawkins was cool enough to ask the crowd to stand out of the way.

Hawkins is seriously hurt, and is at the home of Chief Thomas. Russell has been arrested and is in jail.

Bad blood has existed between the men for more than a year. Friends

men for more than a year. Friends have gotten between them and stopped encounters before this.

Russell claims that Hawkins tacked him today, striking him on the back of the head and knocking him from the sidewalk as he fell. He pulled his gun, faced Hawkins and fired, then backed across the street as fast as pos-

Russell says that for some time ! has avoided meeting Hawkins. Hawk-ins is a large man, standing 6 feet 7 inches in height.

EXPOSES GUILE IN CONGO FREE STATE

Flagrant Example of the Duplicity of Natives Revealed in One Remarkable Case.

WASHINTON, April 4.-In view of the recent charges made against the administration of the Congo Free State, the Associated Press cabled to King Leopold asking for his side of the case. In replyy the Congo State has cabled authority to James Gustavus Whiteley to give the following resume of the Brussels note, which has been issued in reply to the charges made in the recent report of the British Consul:

"The case of the boy Ependo, who claimed that his left hand had been cut off by a native sentry in the service of La Lunga Rubber company, caused the Consul, accompanied by two mis-sionaries, to go to the village of Bos-sunguma, and to hold an impromptu court of inquiry. The injured boy ac-cused the sentry to his face. The chief and a number of the head men accused the sentry. Most of them declared that they had been eye-witnesses of the deed. The sentry denied the charge. Evidence Conclusive.

"Other natives came forward with various charges of robbery and wrong doing against the sentry, and finally the Consul, considering the evidence conclusive, announced that Klengo deserves punishment for his cruel and illegal acts, and, taking with him the maimed boy, laid the case before the State authorities, saying dramatically denounced not an individual

but a system. "As a matter of fact thhe accusations of Spendo against the sentry were shown to be without any foundation. When the proper State authorities came to investigate the boy's syidence broke down. He admitted that he had lied, and explained that he had lost his hand in a bear hunt.

Admitted His Duplicity. "When asked why he had accused the sentry he said that he had done it at the instigation of the natives of the district, who hoped thus to secure the intervention of the British Consul and a release from the necessity of gather-ing rubber. Most of the natives who had accused the sentry before the Concondition. Alvin Loveridge, the fourth sul took to the woods. Those who were boy, will recover, although his face and hands are in bad cendition. He saved his body from being burned by jumping into were called corroborated the boy's con-

fession that his hand had been lost in a bear hunt. "The Brussels note refutes all the points of the British Consul's report, and is most convincing testimony to the humanitarian work which King Leopold has accomplished in Africa.'

Fined for Working on Sunday. Special to The Tribune.

PROVO, April 4.—Justice Noon today fined Jesse Thompson, Israel Hodson and William Walker Si each for working on the Sabbath day. Each entered a plea of william.

BRITISH MEET WITH REVERSES IN WEST AFRICA

LONDON, April 4 -- Meagre details have arrived here of heavy + fighting in Nigeria (British West 4 Africa) and of a reverse sustained by the punitive expedition 4 + against the Okpoto tribe, who + in December cut up a British patrol, killing two British officers and forty or fifty native troops.

In the recent fighting the + + Okpotos fought their way into + + the midst of the British square + + and killed or wounded many of + the British

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FREE LUNCH FOR INDIGENT CHILDREN

In Germany Government Supplies Food to Many Who Do Not Have Enough to Eat.

TYASHINTON, D. C., April 4 .-Writing to the Department of Commerce and Labor from Leipzig. Germany. tates Consul Warner says that in the arge German cities there are 'many hildren who must attend school, beginning at 8 o'clock in winter and 7 in summer, and who do not get enough to eat for breakfast, especially in the win-

ter months. Arrangements have been made in several places for providing the necessary food without cost to those in need of it in order that they may be better able o profit by the instruction given them With the exception of Berlin, Brunswick and Nuremberg, not only the poor but the sick and infirm children are also given breakfast at thhe ex-

ense of the municipality. In some of the cities dinners in addiion to breakfasts are also furnished In Hamburg the expenses for provid-ing proper dinners alone amount to about \$6664 annually. The food is usually served in the school-houses, but sometimes in near-by charitable institutions.

The importance of such institutions for the health of the children, as well as the whole nation, seems to be recognized, and at the latest meeting of the German Medical society at Cassel in 1903 this plan was unanimously in-

INSANITY FOLLOWS LOSS OF \$175,000

Woman Broker Attacks Companion and Sets Apartment-House

in an Uproar.

EW YORK, April 4-Miss Maud Ingersoll, 44 years old, was arraigned in the Harlem Police court this afternoon on a charge of insanity, after an examination by Bellevue suregons, and was released by Magistrate Breen in the custody of Mrs. Helen Tink-

ham, her comrade for years, who agreed to escort Miss Ingersoll to New Britain Conn., and place her in the custody there of a brother of the unfortunate woman. Action in the case followed exciting moments in the apartment house at 304 West One Hundred and Twelfth street where Miss Ingersol had lived with Mrs. Tink

Miss Ingersol had lived with Mrs. Tinkham for several years.

Miss Ingersol once possessed a confiderable fortune and was in the brokerage
tusiness in Wall street. Later she became associated with a stockbroker in
Brocklyn, and subsequently is reported
to have lost \$175,000 on the exchange. She
has figured in several sonsational epinodes and was once in a sanitarium.

Mrs. Tinkham and Miss Ingersoll had
been employed recently as demonstrators
by a chemical company and made excellent salaries. Both wore valuable diamonds, end on the trip from the West
Twenty-fifth street police station to
Bellevue hospital Miss Ingersoil exhibited
515 in her packetbook, where there were \$155 in her pocketbook, where there were also valuable diamonds. She offered the policeman in charge of her \$20 for his trouble and courtesy, which was not ac-

Charles Miller, janitor of the apartment house where the women lived, said that Tuesday night Miss Ingersoll became vio-lent. Yesterday morning she began to throw knives, forks and dishes at her companion.

WOMAN SUICIDE'S HAND HELD LILY AND CRUCIFIX

Special to The Tribune,

CINCINNATL April 4.-Standing in front of a mirror in the Grand hotel, with an Easter lily and a crucifix in one hand and a revolver in the other, Mrs. E. B. Hunter, wife of a prominent retired mer-chant of Memphis, Tenn., shot herself in the temple and died before help reached

Mrs. Hunter had been ill with a nervous iscase for some time, but seemed in ex-tellent spirits, and spent the afternoon purchasing Easter flowers. Her husband tound her corpse leaning against the bu-reau still holding the hily and the crucifix.

NATURALIZATION MILL UNEARTHED IN CHICAGO

NEW YORK, April 4.-Arnold Weber, a young Italian, was arrested by the immigration authorities at Ellis island today, on the charge of having fraudulent naturalization papers in his possession. If the story he tells is to be believed, some Chicago officials have been making citizens of foreigners some of whom have not been in this country the required time. Weber rays he formerly lived in San Francisco.

PRESIDENT WILL GO TO OYSTER BAY FOR THE SUMMER.

BOSTON, April 4.-Samuel W.

McCall and Charles F. Choate, Jr., today were appointed receivers for

closed its doors on Thursday last. The trust company's liabilities are

Executive Headquarters Will Be Located Again Over Moore's Grocery.

White House Staff Will Move With Full Equipment of Office Paraphernalla.

Hotel and Stage Line Among the Improvements That Will Be Welcome to Visitors.

Special to The Tribune.

ASHINGTON, April 4.-President Roosevelt will again occupy offices over James More's grocery store in Oyster Bay this coming summer. After going over the list of available locations, Secretary Loeb has decided that the Moore building is the best that can be secured. and so will open negotiations with Mr Moore within a few days relative to the time he expects to begin moving the office furniture and stationery to Oyster Bay and the length of time he expects

to occupy the quarters. Before the President abandoned the offices last summer Secretary Loeb se cured an option on the rooms for this year. Desks, chairs, typewriters and other office paraphernalia from the White House will be shipped to Oyste Bay several weeks in advance of the President's journey thither, so that by the time he arrives he will find his official machinery in perfect running or der. The force to be taken to the President's summer home will be identical with that employed there last year Secretary Loeb will spend a month or so there, and later will be "spelled Assistant Secretary Barnes, Latti, McGrew, Webster and Hinmann, stenographers, will constitute the cles-

Word has reached Washington that the Sagamore hotel may be completed in time to accommodate visitors for at least a part of the campaign season Work has been resumed on the build-

ing, and if it is pushed rapidly from now on it ought to be in shape for oc-cupancy before July 1st. If it is finished by that time a certain colored man who arrived at Oyster Bay last week may be happy. This man dropped off the train at the station, and told the villagers that he had been "sent to run the stage from the new hotel to the railroad depot."

"But the new hotel won't be ready to run a stage for several months," the villagers told the stranger, "Can't help it. Mr. Townsend done

sent me down from the gointer run it."
this here stage, and I'se gointer run it."
the man He thereupon sent me down from New York to run announced the man. He thereupon camped down on the village to wait for the completion of the hotel, and is there

CUBAN CONGRESS OPENS IN TURMOIL

President Palma in Message Discusses Needs of the Island.

HAVANA. April 1.-The scene in the House of Representatives today was one of wild disorder. As a matter of fact there was no formal opening of the House, owing to the inability to muster a quorum, for the reason that every Nationalist member refused to enter the chamber. the Nationalists fearing that if the question of contested seats arose they would be out-voted by the coalition lately ar-ranged between the Ropublicans and Mod-

ranged between the Ropublicans and Moderate Liberals.

President Palma's message, which was read in the Senate, was chiefly a review of existing conditions.

President Palma asked for an extension of three mouths time for the work of the commission reviewing the revolutionary soldiers' claim lists, as there are still 10,400 claims which have not been acted on. He said that the executive was placed in an embartassing position in the endeavor to pay the soldiers proportionately out of the \$31.09,000 loan, while the amount of so many claims remained imfixed, and that the difficult of making a pro-rate division was lamentable, owing to the fact that so many reterans were selling their claims at a tremendous discount, in many cases amounting to 5a per cent. The President asks Congress to determine the manner of distributing the \$31.000,000 in the payments to be made in June. September and December, respectively.

The message says the Lutted States and

Jame. September and December, respectively.

The message says the United States and Cuba agree that goods from either country to other countries should on re-exportation to the United States or Cuba, receive the benefits of reciprocity the same as though they were imported direct.

The message said the new internal revenue taxes are proving sufficient for the payment of interest on the \$35,000,000 loan. The treasury new contains \$4,552,000.

Would Annex Panama.

Special to The Tribune DENVER, April 4.—That the United States should annex the entire Isthmus of Panama is the startling suggestion made by Senator John T. Morgan in a letter to Capt. William W. Bates of this city. Senator Morgan denies that he is an imperialist, but he insists that the United States, having secured right of way for the canal, is obliged to preserve life and property in the contiguous territory,